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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Tetra Tech EM Inc. (Tetra Tech) received a statement of work (SOW) dated March 22, 2004, from the

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) under Contract No. WC133F-04-CQ-0003 to

prepare a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) at the St. Paul School (the property) in St. Paul,

Alaska (Block 17, Lots 9,10,11,12,13A, 14A, and 15A, Tract A, all within Section 25, Township 35S

Range 132W). The property boundary is preliminary and still under negotiation between NOAA and

local entities on St. Paul Island. The ESA was conducted based on the site boundaries presented in the

NOAA Statement of Work dated March 22, 2004. The ESA was conducted in accordance with American

Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Practice E1527-00, Standard Practice for Environmental Site

Assessments: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Process.

The results of this investigation represent a review of current conditions based on available information

and limited observations. In addition to conducting a site reconnaissance, Tetra Tech performed a

detailed review of historic records available from Federal and State databases, and obtained historic

records information from the current property owner, NOAA.

The first known use of the property began prior to 1948, when the Butler Building, a carpenter shop, was

in existence on the property. The Butler building was converted into a plumbing shop in the 1950s and

then was demolished in 1967. In 1971, the school building was constructed on the property. Around

1978, the school building was partially destroyed in a fire and was subsequently rebuilt into the school

building that currently exists on the property.

The assessment revealed the presence of two recognized environmental conditions in connection with the

property.

• According to persons interviewed during the Phase I ESA, small quantities of chemicals

associated with the science laboratory are diluted and discharged through sink drains, which

ultimately discharge to the Bering Sea.

• According to persons interviewed during the Phase I ESA, the ultimate disposition of a diesel fuel underground storage tank (UST) cannot be determined. Several village elders interviewed by the

City Clerk on behalf of the site assessor mentioned that the UST may have been abandoned in

place. Others believe that UST has been removed.

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SECTION 1
INTRODUCTION

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17, Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13A, 14A, and 15A, Tract A, all within Section 25, Township 35S, Range 132W).

The ESA was conducted in accordance with American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

Practice E1527-00, Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase I Environmental Site

Assessment Process (ASTM 2000).

1.1 SCOPE OF WORK

The purpose of the ESA was to identify potential areas of environmental concern associated with the

subject property. Resources that Tetra Tech used in conducting the ESA include ASTM Practice

E1527-00, public documents, Federal and State database access, visual inspection of the subject and

surrounding properties, and interviews with persons knowledgeable about historic activities at the subject

property.

This ESA is based on available information pertinent to the subject property and results of a walk-through

site inspection. Where potential areas of environmental concern are identified, this report will

recommend methods for obtaining confirmatory evidence of these concerns, including additional

research, investigation, or collecting soil, sediment, surface water, or groundwater samples.

1.2 PURPOSE

The purpose of this ESA is to identify whether recognized environmental conditions are present on the

subject property within the scope of work conducted as found in Section 1.1.

Recognized environmental conditions are defined as the presence or likely presence of any hazardous

substances or petroleum products on a property under conditions that indicate an existing release, a

historic release, or material threat of release of any hazardous substance or petroleum product into

structures on the property or to the ground surface, subsurface soil, groundwater, or surface water of the

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Tetra Tech EM Inc. 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 550 Mountlake Terrace, Washington 98043 subject or adjacent properties. The term includes hazardous substances or petroleum products even under conditions in compliance with laws. The term is not intended to include *de minimis* conditions that generally do not present a material risk of harm to public health or the environment and that generally would not be the subject of an enforcement action if brought to the attention of appropriate governmental agencies.

1.3 INVOLVED PARTIES

Tetra Tech was contracted by NOAA, trustee for the subject property, to perform an ESA. Ms. Phyllis Swetzof (City Clerk for the City of St. Paul) and Mr. Mac Mandregan (Maintenance Director for the St. Paul School) were interviewed regarding the environmental condition of the subject property. In addition, Mr. Greg Gervais and Mr. Dave Winandy (NOAA Office of Response and Restoration [ORR]) as well as Mr. Tom Simon (NOAA Office of Environmental Safety and Compliance [OESC]) were consulted regarding historical records for the subject property. Ms. Swetzof, in an effort to gather additional information after the initial site assessment reconnaissance, interviewed several village elders to fill data gaps identified during the reconnaissance. The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) online Contaminated Sites Database (CSD) was reviewed with regard to state environmental records for the subject property, as well as other potential contaminated sites on St. Paul Island.

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SECTION 2
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

The following sections describe the subject property and adjacent properties as observed by Tetra Tech

personnel during the April 20, 2004 site inspection, a subsequent site visit on July 27, and upon review of

applicable maps and records. Figure 1 depicts the geographical location of the site, and Figure 2 provides

detail of the subject property. Photographic documentation of the field inspection is presented in

Appendix A.

2.1 LOCATION

St. Paul Island is part of the Pribilof Islands, a small island archipelago located in the

Bering Sea approximately 800 miles west-southwest of Anchorage and 300 miles north-northwest of

Dutch Harbor, Alaska. The City of St. Paul is situated on a peninsula in the southern portion of the

island. The subject property is centrally located in the City of St. Paul, and occupies Block 17, lots 9, 10,

11, 12, 13A, 14A, and 15A, Tract A, all within Section 25, Township 35S, Range 132W, St. Paul, Alaska.

Coordinates for the subject property are latitude 57.1206° north and longitude 177.7206° west.

2.2 PHYSICAL SETTING

St. Paul Island covers approximately 44 square miles and was created as the result of volcanic activity.

The climate of the island is classified as subpolar, with weather conditions heavily influenced by the

Bering Sea. Vegetation on the island is broadly classified as moist tundra. St. Paul Island is also well

known for wildlife, including fur seals, northern (Steller) sea lions, harbor seals, reindeer, and numerous

bird species.

The subject property is located centrally in the City of St. Paul, at the intersection of Tolstoi Boulevard

and Bartlett Boulevard, and is zoned as institutional. The subject property is approximately 3 acres in

size and contains the St. Paul School building. The property also contains an AST used for the storage of

heating oil for the school, a playground, several light poles, and a parking area. Topographically, the

subject property is situated at the base of Village Hill, at the intersection of Tolstoi Boulevard and Bartlett

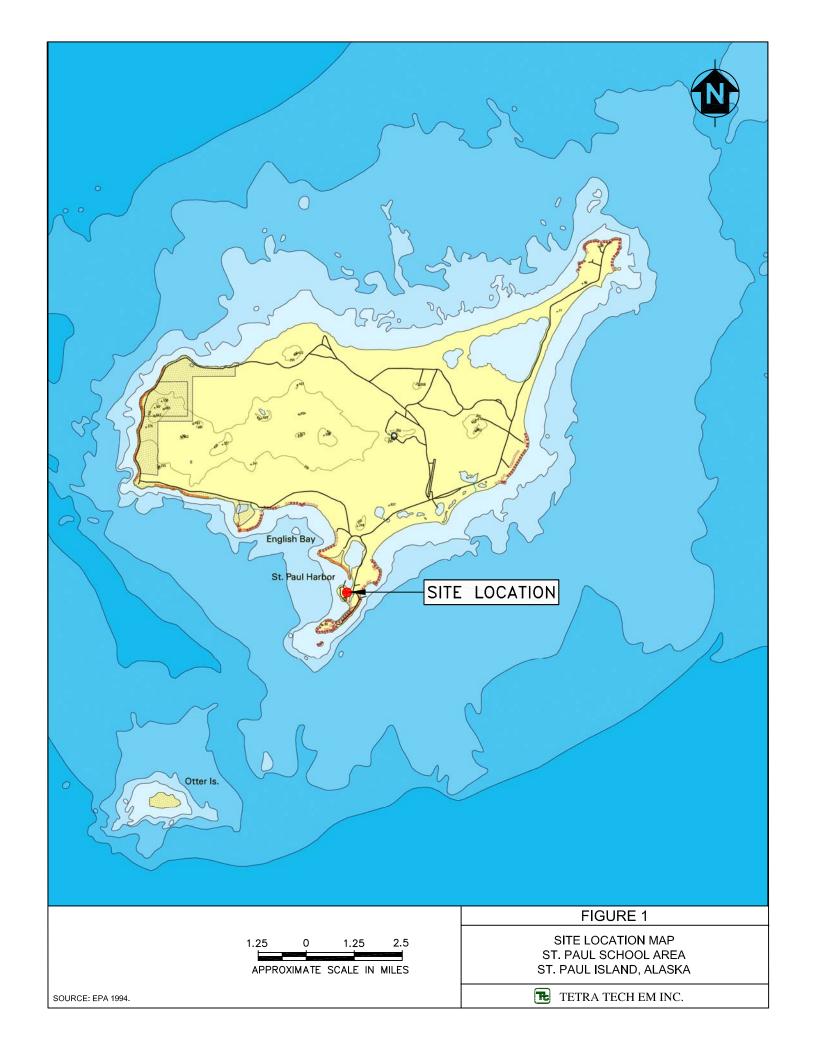
Boulevard in the City of St. Paul. The surrounding areas slope downward and away from the site to the

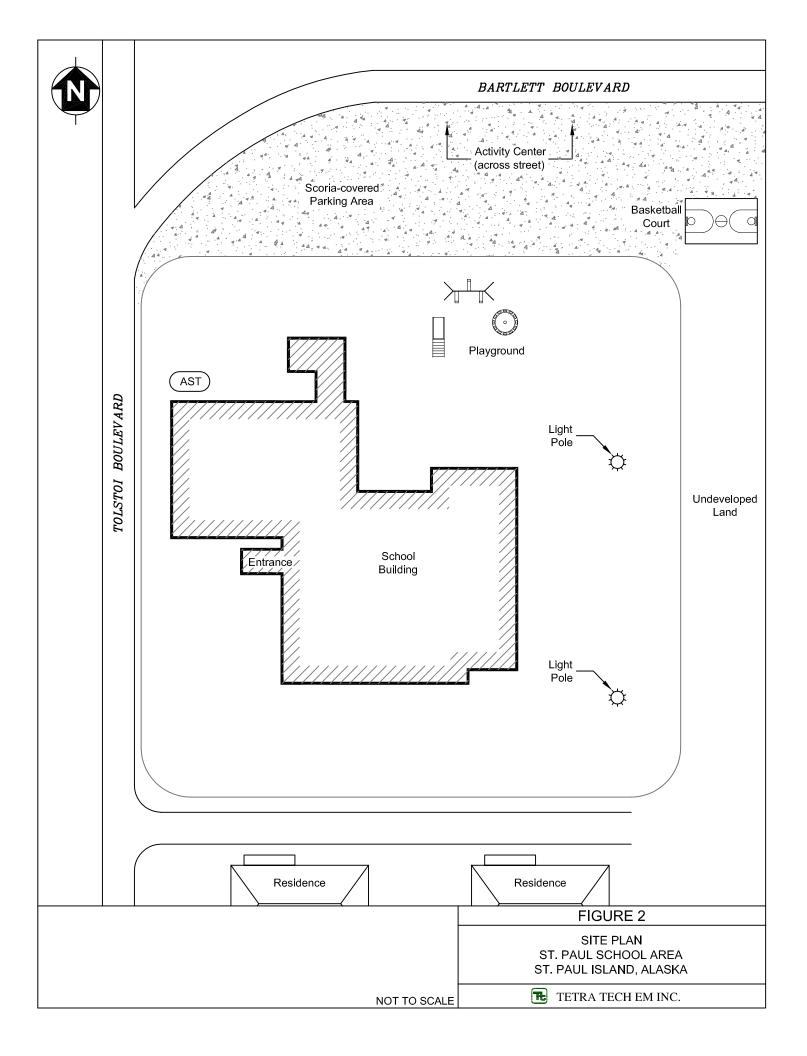
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north and east, upward toward Village Hill to the west, and remains fairly flat to the south.

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No private or public groundwater wells are located on the subject property. A total of seven groundwater wells are used to supply water for the City of St. Paul; however, these wells are all located approximately 2.5 miles north of the subject property in the vicinity of Telegraph Hill.





SECTION 3 HISTORIC REVIEW

During an ESA, several types of records commonly are reviewed to evaluate the subject property's

historic uses. Often, sources of valuable historic use data include city directories, SanbornTM fire

insurance maps, and aerial photographs. Because these types of information are limited in rural Alaska,

interviews with knowledgeable persons familiar with historic site activities were relied upon to

supplement available records pertaining to the subject property.

The following sections summarize city directory listings for the subject property, historical photographs,

and other general information obtained during the ESA process.

3.1 CITY DIRECTORIES

No city directories were available for the subject property.

3.2 SANBORNTM FIRE INSURANCE MAPS

No SanbornTM Fire Insurance Map coverage was available for the subject property (EDR 2001b).

3.3 HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Historical photographs, including aerial photographs, were obtained from records compiled by Mr. Greg

Gervais (NOAA ORR). Historical photographs of the subject property were reviewed for the years 1996,

1995, between 1982 and 1973, 1967, and 1948. Copies of the historical photographs are included in

Appendix C. Results of the historical photograph review are as follows:

• 1996. This photograph shows the school building currently located at the subject property. Other properties within the vicinity of the subject property are generally shown as exhibiting current

properties within the vicinity of the subject property are generally shown as exhibiting current

conditions.

• `1982. This photograph shows the school building currently located at the subject property.

Two small structures of unknown use are visible on the adjacent property to the east. Other

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properties within the vicinity of the subject property are generally shown as exhibiting current conditions.

- 1973. From this photograph, it appears that the school is still under construction at the subject property. Surrounding property to the south and east in undeveloped. Other properties within the vicinity of the subject property are generally shown as exhibiting current conditions.
- 1967. From this photograph, it appears that the Butler Building has been demolished, but construction on the school has not yet begun. Surrounding property to the south and east in undeveloped. Other properties within the vicinity of the subject property are generally shown as exhibiting current conditions.
- **1948.** The photograph shows the Butler Building and a second building in existence at the subject property. The nature of the second building could not be determined through exhaustive interviews with village elders and others knowledgeable about St. Paul history.

3.4 GENERAL

Historical information related to the subject property indicates that a building known as the Butler Building was the first structure in existence at the subject property (Huey 1956). According to Mr. Winandy (NOAA ORR), the building was used as a carpenter shop from at least 1938 until the 1950s, when it was converted into a plumbing shop. The building was demolished in 1967, and the St. Paul School was constructed at the site in 1971. According to Ms. Swetzof (City Clerk for the City of St. Paul) and Mr. Mac Mandregan (Maintenance Director for the St. Paul School), the school building was partially destroyed in a fire in 1978 and was subsequently rebuilt into the school building that currently exists on the property. The current use of the property is as a school.

SECTION 4 SITE RECONNAISSANCE

During the ESA process, a site reconnaissance is conducted, and due diligence is exercised in identifying

potential areas of environmental concern. The site reconnaissance focuses on evaluating the current

disposition of the subject property and adjacent properties, interior storage and waste disposal areas,

interior discharges, exterior storage and waste disposal areas, exterior discharges, storage tanks, and

polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB).

Tetra Tech personnel performed the field inspection of the subject property on April 20, 2004. Because

several data gaps were identified, Tetra tech personnel revisited the property on July 27, 2004.

4.1 CURRENT DISPOSITION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY

Purpose and Scope: During an ESA, the subject property is inspected to evaluate the general condition

of the buildings and structures. General observations are made about the buildings and structures on the

subject property, as well as their location, size, and apparent usage. Construction features, such as

ceilings and floors, are noted, as is the presence and type(s) of light fixtures and electrical equipment.

Also noted are other features and anomalies that may contribute to environmental contamination.

Topography, vegetation, and proximity to thoroughfares and waterways also are observed during the

inspection.

Observations: The subject property is currently occupied by a school building. An aboveground storage

tank containing heating oil for the school exists on the property, adjacent to the school on the northwest

side of the building. Mr. Mandregan (Maintenance Director for the St. Paul School) attended the site

reconnaissance with Tetra Tech personnel. The interior of the building was inspected and consisted of

classrooms, including a science laboratory, a library, a maintenance shop, a garage, and a basement used

as a weight room and for storage. Mr. Mandregan noted that small amounts of hazardous chemicals such

as cleaning supplies, paint, paint thinner, and chemicals used in the science laboratory were all kept in

flameproof, metal, hazardous materials cabinets. The site reconnaissance confirmed this information.

Appendix C contains a summary of the types of chemicals stored in the science laboratory. The quantity

of stored chemicals was not reviewed during the inspection, but generally, chemical quantities were

limited to small jars containing several hundred grams of various powders and liquids.

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Mr. Mandregan stated that vehicles were sometimes repaired or stored in the garage. Cleaning chemicals

were observed in the garage during the site reconnaissance; no evidence of chemical spills or staining was

observed, however. Insulation was noted on piping in the basement of the school at the subject property.

4.2 CURRENT DISPOSITION OF ADJACENT PROPERTIES

Purpose and Scope: During an ESA, properties adjacent to the subject property are inspected for signs or

conditions that could pose significant potential for environmental contamination on the subject property

due to lateral migration of surface or subsurface contaminants from those properties. The review of

adjacent properties is limited as recommended by ASTM Practice E-1527-00, and information relating to

those properties provided herein should not be interpreted as comprehensive or conclusive, unless

otherwise noted.

Observations: The subject property is located in an area zoned as institutional. Adjacent properties are

zoned as open space to the east, residential to the south, residential and commercial to the west, and

commercial to the north. The surrounding properties were visually examined from the subject property

and public roads. Property to the east appeared to be undeveloped except for a basketball court. Two

residences exist to the south. Tolstoi Boulevard, the St. Paul Clinic, and the King Eider Hotel exist to the

west. Bartlett Boulevard and the A/C Value Center general store exist to the north.

4.3 INTERIOR STORAGE AND WASTE DISPOSAL AREAS

Purpose and Scope: During an ESA, interior storage areas are examined for staining or other evidence of

former activities that could present a potential for environmental contamination. Containers of chemicals

are examined for content and usage, and trash or rubbish accumulation is noted. In addition, designated

interior disposal areas and areas conducive to waste disposal are examined for evidence of improper

disposal. Finally, restrooms, drains, exterior doors, and secluded closets are visually inspected.

Observations: The school contained small amounts of cleaning supplies, paint, paint thinner, and science

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laboratory chemicals. All were contained in flameproof, metal, hazardous materials cabinets.

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4.4 INTERIOR DISCHARGES

Purpose and Scope: During an ESA, interior discharge areas, such as drainage areas, pipe discharges,

sumps, and air emission generators, are visually examined for leakage or other evidence of potential

environmental contamination.

Observations: No evidence of leaks to discharge areas was observed inside the school on the subject

property. The sewage system discharges into the town's main sewage line, ultimately discharging into

the Bering Sea near East Landing. During the July 27 visit, Tetra Tech was informed that science

laboratory chemicals commonly are disposed by diluting them with tap water and discharging them into

sink drains, which discharge into the city's treatment system and ultimately into the Bering Sea.

4.5 EXTERIOR STORAGE AND WASTE DISPOSAL AREAS

Purpose and Scope: During an ESA, exterior storage and waste disposal areas are visually inspected for

signs of releases or other environmental contamination associated with historic activities. Visual and

olfactory evidence of chemical or other release are noted at designated storage areas and locations

suggestive of storage operations such as concrete or asphalt pads, covered or fenced areas, pits, ponds,

and lagoons.

In addition, exterior waste disposal areas are examined, including garbage cans and dumpsters. Areas of

stained or off-color soil, stressed vegetation, discarded empty containers, and burned residue are

inspected, as are remote or obscured areas of the property conducive to dumping.

Observations: No evidence of exterior storage or waste disposal was observed during the site

reconnaissance.

4.6 EXTERIOR DISCHARGES

Purpose and Scope: During an ESA, exterior subsurface structures are inspected for evidence of leaks,

releases, or other environmental contamination associated with historic activities. The presence of

subsurface structures that collect or contain liquid and sediment may represent a source of potential

environmental contamination. Areas that are inspected if present include underground voids and vaults,

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drains, sumps, oil/water separators, wells, pits, ponds, lagoons, and aboveground structures indicating

subsurface activity.

Observations: No evidence of exterior discharges or waste disposal was observed during the site

reconnaissance.

4.7 STORAGE TANKS

Purpose and Scope: The presence of current and historic aboveground storage tanks (AST) and

underground storage tanks (UST) at the subject property is carefully evaluated during an ESA. Storage

tanks are recognized as major potential sources of environmental contamination. Contamination of soil

and/or groundwater may occur as a result of spills, overfills, or releases from tank systems. Such

contamination would require remediation, and the property owner or operator could be responsible for

remediation costs.

Observations: Currently, one 3,000-gallon, skid-mounted, double-walled, steel AST is present at the

subject property; according to historical information and interviews, the tank is used to store diesel fuel

used for heating the school. To his knowledge, Mr. Mandregan is not aware of any spills or

contamination related to the existing AST. During the site reconnaissance, Tetra Tech did not observe

any evidence of spills or overfills at the AST.

Mr. Mandregan stated that the AST replaced a UST, presumably when the school was constructed in

1971, or after the 1978 fire. However, interviews with village elders conducted by Phyllis Swetzof (City

Clerk for the City of St. Paul) were less conclusive. Several individuals stated that the UST was not

removed, others stated that it had, and others did not know. The location, size, and other details regarding

the UST could not be determined through exhaustive interviews with persons knowledgeable about the

history of St. Paul Island. Because the UST would not have been regulated until 1988, when the UST

regulations codified at Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 280 and 281, were issued, and because

the tank's use had been discontinued by that time, regulatory reviews did not identify the presence of this

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tank system.

No other USTs or ASTs are known to have existed at the subject property.

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4.8 POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS

Purpose and Scope: The subject property was inspected for items that potentially may contain PCBs such as transformers and other electrical equipment.

Observations: City officials were not aware of PCBs ever being used on the subject property. No equipment suspected to contain PCBs was identified at the subject property during the site reconnaissance.

SECTION 5 REGULATORY RECORDS REVIEW

A regulatory records review was conducted through phone interviews with regulatory officials and by consulting available databases provided by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC). According to interviews, the subject property is not part of any regulatory action. Databases that were searched include the following.

Federal Records

- Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Information System (CERCLIS): CERCLIS contains data on potentially hazardous waste sites that have been reported to the EPA by states, municipalities, private companies and private persons, pursuant to Section 103 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). CERCLIS contains sites that are either proposed to or on the National Priorities List (NPL) and sites that are in the screening and assessment phase for possible inclusion in the NPL.
- CERCLIS-No Further Remedial Action Planned (CERCLIS-NFRAP): As of February 1995, CERCLIS sites designated "No Further Remedial Action Planned" have been removed from CERCLIS. NFRAP sites may be sites where, following an initial investigation, no contamination was found, contamination was removed quickly without the need for the site to be placed on the NPL, or contamination was not serious enough to require Federal Superfund action or NPL consideration.
- **NPL:** The NPL is a subset of CERCLIS and identifies over 1,200 sites for priority cleanup under the federal Superfund program.
- **Delisted NPL:** The National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution and Contingency Plan establishes the criteria that the EPA uses to delete sites from the NPL. In accordance with 40 CFR 300.425(e), sites may deleted from the NPL where no further response is appropriate.
- Corrective Action Report (CORRACTS): CORRACTS identifies hazardous waste handlers with Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) corrective action activity.
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Information System (RCRIS): RCRIS includes selective information on sites that generate, transport, store, treat, and/or dispose of hazardous waste as defined by RCRA.
- Emergency Response Notification System (ERNS): ERNS records and stores information on reported releases of oil and hazardous substances.

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State of Alaska Records

• Contaminated Sites Database: The Contaminated Sites Database is the State equivalent to CERCLIS. Sites contained in the CSCSL may or may not already be listed on the Federal CERCLIS list.

The subject property was not listed in any of the above listed databases.

A review was conducted of available Department of Environmental Conservation records for listed sites within 0.25 mile of the subject property and for sites with groundwater contamination located within 1 mile of the subject property. Results of the file review are presented in the table below. Eleven listed sites (ADEC CSD) were identified within a 1-mile radius of the subject property. Three of the listed sites are classified with a closed status by ADEC (Two-Party Agreement [TPA] Sites 08, 09a, and 10). In addition, five facilities within 1 mile of the subject property were listed in the federal RCRIS database.

| | | Distance from Subject | |
|---|---------------------------|--|---|
| Site Name/Address | Site Type | Property | Comments/Status |
| TPA 07 St. Paul NMFS Fuel Barges | Suspected Contaminated | <1/4 mile northwest | Suspected contamination associated with fuel barges that were grounded with product on |
| | Soil | | board. As of December of 2001, the ADEC site file was closed. |
| TPA 08 St. Paul NOAA Cliffside Landfills | Landfills | 1/4 to 1/2 mile south | Two landfills (NOAA and NMFS) formerly operated along cliffs south of subject property. ADEC site file lists this as closed under ADEC Contaminated Sites Database as of December 2001. |
| Clinic Underground Storage Tank (UST) SP-1 | UST | ~ 400 feet west | Heating oil UST was removed from the St. Paul Clinic. According to the ADEC database, site contamination has been removed, but the site cannot be closed until the excavated soils (now stockpiled at the Blubber Dump) are remediated. The ADEC site file is still active as of April 2004. |
| TPA 09 St. Paul Tract 46 Industrial Area | Contaminated Soil | ~ ¹ / ₄ northwest | According to ADEC, site contamination has been removed to the maximum extent practicable even though residual contamination remains in site soil. As of April 2003, ADEC has issued a conditional determination of no further remedial action or sampling required. The ADEC site file is still active. |
| TPA 09a St. Paul USTs Site (Tract 46) | UST | ~ ¹ / ₄ mile northwest | Six USTs located near new harbor (the old movie theater building). As of May 2003, ADEC issued a determination of no further remedial action or sampling required. |

| | | Distance from | |
|--|------------------------|---|--|
| | G. T | Subject | |
| Site Name/Address | Site Type | Property | Comments/Status |
| TPA 09b St. Paul Power Plant (Tract 46) | UST | ~¹⁄4 mile northwest | Diesel fuel contamination in soil as a result of USTs during past power plant operations. As |
| , | | | of March 2001, the ADEC site file is active. |
| TPA 09c St. Paul Municipal | UST | ~1/4 mile northwest | Diesel fuel UST. As of April 2004, the ADEC |
| Garage | | | site file is still active. |
| TPA 09d St. Paul Municipal | Drums | ~1/4 mile northwest | Diesel fuel and kerosene contamination |
| Drum Staging Area | | | associated with former fueling operations. As of April 2004, the ADEC site file was active. |
| TPA 09e St. Paul | Saltwater | ~1/4 mile northwest | Saltwater wells previously used to wash seal |
| Contaminated Saltwater Wells | wells | | skins were abandoned due to reported diesel contamination from spills at the demolished |
| Wells | | | diesel tank farm. |
| TPA 10 St. Paul Former Gasoline Tank Farm | Above- | ¹ / ₄ to ¹ / ₂ mile | Contamination associated with four 25,000- |
| Hill on Village East Side | ground Storage Tank | northwest | gallon ASTs. As of February 2000, the ADEC site file was closed. |
| _ | (AST) | | |
| TPA 11 St. Paul Demolished | AST | 1/4 to 1/2 mile | Diesel fuel tank farm decommissioned in 1988. |
| Diesel Tank Farm Tract 43 St. Paul | | northwest | Six 80,000-gallon ASTs that were associated with large spill in 1968 resulting in fish kill |
| Trace 13 St. 1 au | | | were removed. As of May 2001, the ADEC |
| | | | site file is active and includes groundwater |
| | - C- C | | monitoring of the area. |
| M/V All Alaskan St. Paul Island Vessel | RCRIS | < ½ mile north | Identification number AKD983075904 |
| North Shore | | | |
| | D CD1G | 1/ 11 11 | VI district |
| St. George Delta Fuel Waterfront Building | RCRIS | < ½ mile north | Identification number AKR000000885 |
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| St. Paul City Port 300 Dock Side Road | RCRIS | < ½ mile north | Identification number AKR000000489 |
| 300 Dock Side Road | | | |
| St. Paul Delta Fuel Company | RCRIS | < ½ mile north | Identification number AKR000000893 |
| Waterfront Building | | | |
| Unisea Incorporated | RCRIS | < ½ mile north | Identification number AK0000244053 |
| Northwest Harbor Arm Village Cove | | | |
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SECTION 6
CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The results of this ESA represent a review of current conditions, based on available information and

limited observations, as described in previous sections of this report.

The first known use of the property began prior to 1948, when the Butler Building, a carpenter shop, was

in existence on the property. The Butler building was converted into a plumbing shop in the 1950s and

was demolished in 1967. In 1971, the school building was constructed on the property. Around 1978, the

school building was partially destroyed in a fire and was subsequently rebuilt into the school building that

currently exists on the property. No other activities are known to have occurred on the subject property.

The property has contained a UST and currently contains an AST used to store diesel heating oil.

Conduct of lead-based paint and asbestos surveys is outside the scope of a Phase I ESA. No evidence of

the presence of these materials was identified during the site reconnaissance. However, due to the age of

the building materials used in the construction of the school, asbestos and lead-based paint may be present

in the school.

Tetra Tech performed a Phase I ESA in conformance with the scope and limitations of ASTM Practice

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35S, Range 132W. According to NOAA, this property boundary is preliminary and is still under

negotiation. The ESA was conducted based on site boundaries presented in the NOAA Statement of

Work dated March 22, 2004.

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property.

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ultimately discharge to the Bering Sea.

• According to persons interviewed during the Phase I ESA, the ultimate disposition of a diesel fuel UST cannot be determined. Several village elders interviewed by the City Clerk on behalf of the

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site assessor mentioned that the UST may have been abandoned in place. Others believe that

UST has been removed.

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APPENDIX A

SITE PHOTOGRAPHS

St. Paul School St. Paul Island, Alaska



Photograph No. 1 Site: St. Paul School
Orientation: East Date: April 20, 2004
Description: Looking east at the playground from the parking lot adjacent to the school property.



Photograph No. 2 Site: St. Paul School
Orientation: South Date: April 20, 2004
Description: Looking south at the above ground storage tank located adjacent to the school

building on the property.



Photograph No. 3 Site: St. Paul School Orientation: West Date: April 20, 2004

Description: Looking west from the subject property.



Photograph No. 4 Site: St. Paul School Orientation: North Date: April 20, 2004

Description: Looking north at the subject property. The school is visible in the foreground, and the A/C Value Center general store is located in the distance.



Photograph No. 5
Orientation: N/A
Site: St. Paul School
Date: April 20, 2004

Description: Cleaning supplies and chemicals stored in the St. Paul School garage.



Photograph No. 6

Orientation: N/A

Site: St. Paul School
Date: April 20, 2004

Description: Chemicals stored inside the locked chemical storage cabinet in the St. Paul School

science laboratory.

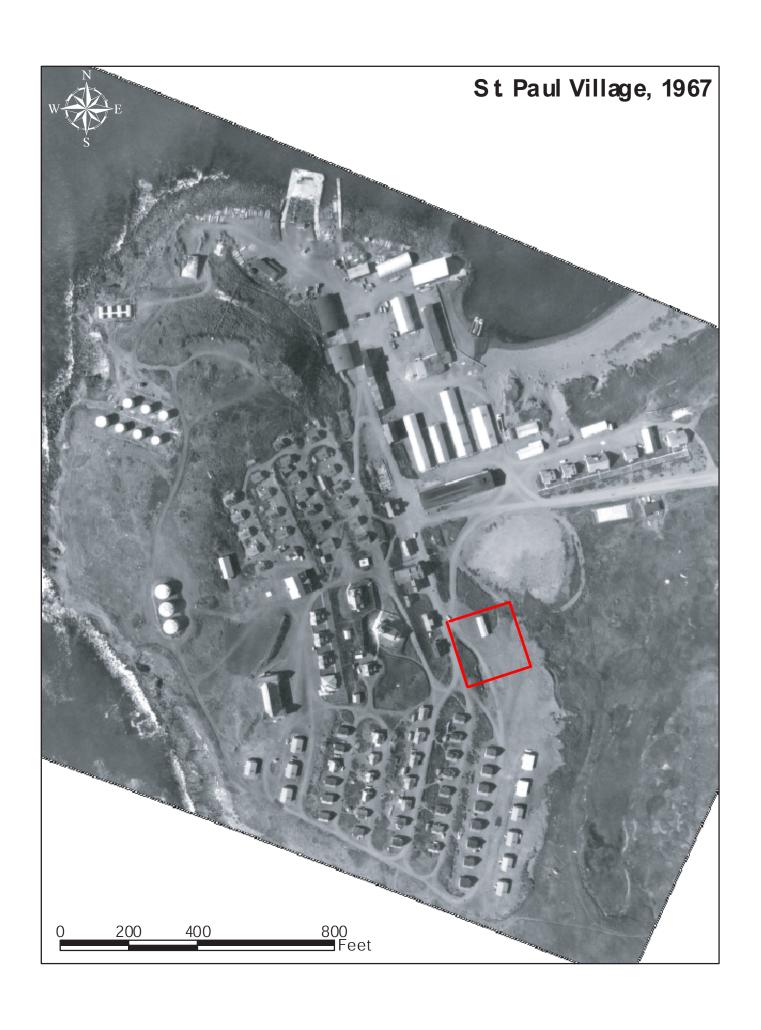
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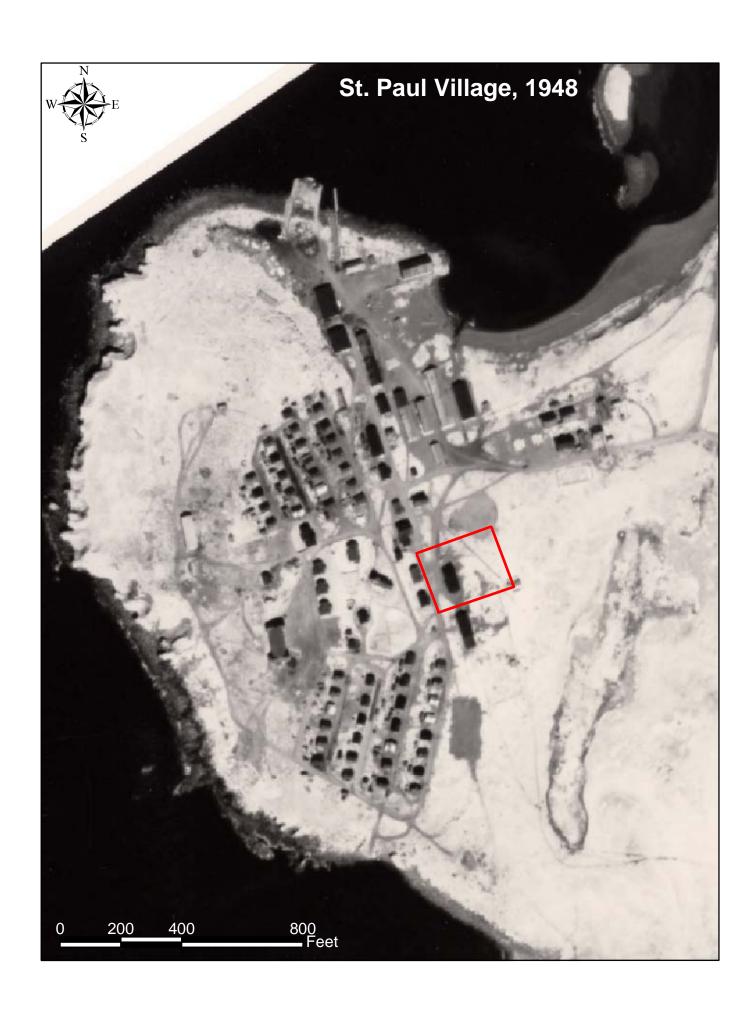
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APPENDIX C CHEMICALS IN SCIENCE LAB

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| | Boiling Chips & Stones | chips | 2 |
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| • | Calcium Carbonate | precipitated powder | 1 |
| | Calcium Chloride | granular | 1 |
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| | Calvium Oxide (Hime) | | |
| | Calcium Phosphate | | |
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| | Carbon Tetrachloride | Tiquid-XXX(carcinogen) | 1 |
| | Copper | granular | 1 |
| | Copper Sulfate | Triquid | 1 |
| | Cork Dust | | |
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| | Epinophrine | powder | |
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| Manganese Dioxide | 65% powder | 1 |
| Merourio Oxide | powder | 1 1 |
| Mercuru | liquid | 1 |
| Methylene Blue | 1% aqueous . | 1 |
| Nickel Sulfate (hessahydrate) | crystal, pure | 1 1 |
| Paraffin Qil | white liquid | 1 1 |
| Phenolphthalein | in 70% alcohol | 2 |
| Phony Ithalein | | 1 |
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